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TITLE OF INVENTION: IMAGING SYSTEM USING POLARIZATION EFFECTS TO ENHANCE IMAGE QUALITY

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Effective October 1, 2003, 37 CFR 1.18 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) through (c) to read as set forth below Section 1.18 Patent post allowance (including issue) fees.

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